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: Osawa et al.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 12, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1 through 10, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: